

# State of Utah

## Department of Natural Resources

MICHAEL R. STYLER Executive Director

Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

JOHN R. BAZA Division Director Permitee:

Operator:

Site: COVOL SITE

Address: 1865 S RIDGE RD, WELLINGTON UT

County: CARBON

JON M. HUNTSMAN, JR.
Governor

GARY R. HERBERT
Lieutenant Governor

Representatives Present During the Inspection:

OGM Pete Hess Environmental Scientist III

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: PROPOSED

Current Acreages		Mineral Ownership	<b>Types of Operations</b>		
30.00	Total Permitted	☐ Federal	☐ Underground		
30.00	<b>Total Disturbed</b>	☐ State	Surface		
	Phase I	☐ County	☐ Loadout		
	Phase II	☐ Fee	Processing		
	Phase III	☐ Other	Reprocessing		

**Inspection Report** 

C0070045 COMPLETE

Thursday, April 24, 2008

4/24/2008 8:35:00 AM

4/24/2008 10:15:00 AM

Monday, March 31, 2008

Accepted by: jhelfric

4/28/2008

Inspector: Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

InspectionID Report Number: 1622

Weather: Cold; blustery. Snow and rain for Wasatch front.

Permit Number:

Inspection Type:

Inspection Date:

Start Date/Time:

End Date/Time: Last Inspection:

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The Division is reviewing the permit application package for the COVOL site; the due date for discipline reviews is June 23, 2008.

The site is located away from stream channels, and to date, neither surface nor ground water monitoring sites have been established by the DOGM.

Mr. Mike Gipson represented Headwaters, Inc., during today's inspection.

The site is receiving higher ash coal from the West Ridge Mine for beneficiation.

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Inspector's Signature:	Letter The	Date Date	Thursday, April 24, 2008

Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 46

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
- b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcemen
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	✓		✓	
2.	Signs and Markers	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
3.	Topsoil	<b>✓</b>		~	
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	✓		<b>✓</b>	
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	✓		<b>✓</b>	
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<b>V</b>			
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring		<b>✓</b>		
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	<b>V</b>		<b>✓</b>	
5.	Explosives	✓			
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		<b>V</b>		
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments		<b>V</b>		
8.	Noncoal Waste	<b>✓</b>			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	<b>✓</b>			
10.	Slides and Other Damage		<b>V</b>		
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation		<b>V</b>		
12.	Backfilling And Grading		<b>V</b>		
13.	Revegetation		✓		
14.	Subsidence Control		✓		
15.	Cessation of Operations		✓		
16.a	Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<b>V</b>			
16.b	Roads: Drainage Controls	<b>V</b>			
17.	Other Transportation Facilities	<b>V</b>			
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations	<b>V</b>			
19.	AVS Check	<b>V</b>			
20.	Air Quality Permit	<b>V</b>		<b>V</b>	
21.	Bonding and Insurance	<b>V</b>		<b>✓</b>	
22.	Other				

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# 1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

The Division made a determination on March 14, 2008 that the PAP for the COVOL site was administratively complete; the DOGM instructed the applicant to publish the permit application notice in a newspaper having local circulation. To date, that has been done in the Sun Advocate in the editions dated April 1, 8, 15, and 22, 2008.

#### 2. Signs and Markers

The permit applicant has installed "topsoil" signs on the resource storage piles.

## 3. Topsoil

Mr. Gipson inquired about moving the soil storage pile on the west side of the property; this will be done to make for more storage. The new location will be further to the west, still within the current disturbed area.

### 4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions

The applicant has cut the diversion from the east side truck dump to the under road culvert and east side pond deeper in order to provide better drainage below the dump. The belt tail piece frequently ran in water, which caused belt slippage and coal spills.

# 4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

The sediment ponds at this site remain unchanged. Neither contain water. The spillways are capable of functioning as designed.

## 4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations

The ponds at the site have never discharged. UPDES and storm water permits are in place; there does not appear to be any sign of runoff in the permit area.

### 20. Air Quality Permit

The applicant was utilizing a water truck on the site haul roads during today's inspection. Records are maintained to document water applications, as required in the Utah air quality approval order.

### 21. Bonding and Insurance

The reclamation bond amount of \$165,000 was agreed to by the Division on September 26, 2007. The surety is Western Surety Company of Souix Falls, South Dakota.